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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE** 

Department of the Army

[Docket ID USA-2019-HQ-0031]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the U.S. Army Corps

of Engineers (USACE) announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public

comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection

of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the

burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of

the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection

on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by [insert 60 days from

publication of this notice in the Federal Register].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the

following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for

submitting comments.

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Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Chief Management Officer, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the USACE Infrastructure Team, ATTN: Sandra Stroud, CECW-I (3K87), 441 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20314, or by e-mail to CW.

Infrastructure.Team@usace.army.mil. Tel: (571) 515-0231.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**TITLE; ASSOCIATED FORM; AND OMB NUMBER:** Corps Water Infrastructure Financing Program (CWIFP) Preliminary Application and Application; OMB Control Number 0710-XXXX.

**NEEDS AND USES:** The Preliminary Application information collection requirement is necessary to (1) validate the eligibility of the prospective borrower and the proposed project, (2) perform a preliminary creditworthiness assessment, (3) perform a preliminary engineering and environmental feasibility assessment, and (4) evaluate the project against the selection criteria and identify which projects USACE will invite to submit applications. The Preliminary Application addresses the CWIFP eligibility criteria, CWIFP selection criteria, and identifies

other specific information that must be provided to USACE to be considered for credit

assistance. The Preliminary Application provides USACE with sufficient information to make a

project selection and invite prospective borrowers to submit applications. Based on evaluation of

the Preliminary Application, USACE will invite to submit an Application only those eligible

projects that it expects to proceed to closing. Only those entities who are invited by USACE to

submit an Application should proceed with the Application process. The Application provides

USACE with information to assess the creditworthiness of both the applicant and project,

identify the project's engineering and financial risk, negotiate the terms and conditions of the

credit assistance, and calculate the amount of budget authority that will be needed to fund the

project(s).

**AFFECTED PUBLIC:** Individuals & households.

**ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS: 50.** 

**NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 15.** 

**ANNUAL RESPONSES: 15.** 

**AVERAGE BURDEN PER RESPONSE:** 3.33 Hours

RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT: 1.

**FREQUENCY:** On occasion.

Dated: November 6, 2019.

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